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Clerk's Office warns voters about USPS mailer containing misleading information

The La Plata County Clerk and Recorder's Office has been notified that the United States Postal Service (USPS) sent out a national pre-election mailer that contains incorrect election information for Colorado. The mailer incorrectly asks that voters request a mail ballot 15 days before the election and return their ballots by mail at least seven days before the election. Ballots will be mailed automatically to every eligible registered voter on October 9. **Citizens do not need to make a request to our office.**

If returning by mail, voters should deposit their voted ballot in the mail stream no later than eight days before the election October 26, contrary to what the USPS mailer suggests. However, there are five 24-hour drop boxes that voters can use all the way until 7 p.m. on Election Day.

"While the USPS information regarding mail ballot requirements in Colorado was incorrect, the mailer does provide voters with an opportunity to make a plan to vote," said La Plata County Clerk & Recorder Tiffany Lee Parker. "I would like to emphasize that the La Plata County Clerk and Recorder's Office has enjoyed a positive working relationship with Postal Service officials, the dedicated staff that process the mail, and the route carriers that deliver those ballots to our voters doorsteps."

Citizens are encouraged to verify their voter registration is accurate by going to www.govotecolorado.gov and return their ballots at one of the five secure 24-hour ballot drop box locations. Anyone with questions or concerns should call (970) 382-6296 or visit www.laplatacountyclerk.org.